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NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS CHAPEL

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MASSSES
ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION
Saturday 4:00 p.m., Sunday 8:45 a.m.
Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.
NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS CHAPEL
Saturday 5:45 p.m., Holy Days 7:00 p.m.


MASS
 INTENTIONS
 APRIL 30, 2017

St. Mary of the Assumption

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017

4:00 p.m. Ed St. John Jr. - Birthday Remembrance
 Req. by Pam & Ed St. John III

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2017

8:45 a.m. Betty & Kenneth Gurney
 Req. by The Family

MONDAY, MAY 1, 2017

8:00 a.m. Fr. Michael Englert, OFM Conv.
 Req. by Samantha Dias

TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2017

8:00 a.m. Lucia Fresia
 Req. by Eva Douillet

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2017

8:00 a.m. The Parishioners of the St. Mary of the
 Assumption Parish Community

THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2017

8:00 a.m. Lawrence Dowd
 Req. by The Mary, Mother of Hope
 Parish Community

FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2017

8:00 a.m. No Mass

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2017

4:00 p.m. Sadie Osanni - Anniversary
 Remembrance
 Req. by Pam & Ed St. John III

SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2017

8:45 a.m. Corinne Raymond
 Req. by Lisa Ryan & Team Corinne

North American Martyrs Chapel

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2017

5:45 p.m. Eileen Goodrow
 Req. by The Mary, Mother of Hope
 Parish Community

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2017

5:45 p.m. Philomena Murphy
 Req. by The Mary, Mother of Hope
 Parish Community

SANCTUARY LAMP, WINE, HOSTS, & CANDLES ARE
 GIVEN IN REMEMBRANCE OF ED ST. JOHN, JR.'S
 BIRTHDAY BY PAM & ED ST. JOHN III.

PARISH NEWS

ARE YOU REGISTERED WITH THE PARISH?
 If you did not fill out and submit a parish registration form in 2016, you are probably not in our new database. You can register online by visiting our website: www.stmaryscheshire.com. Just click on "Join Our Parish" and follow the instructions. Our new system will allow us to communicate with you via email and text messaging in addition to more traditional methods. If you want to join and don't have a computer, please contact the office.

ONLINE GIVING THROUGH OUR WEBSITE
Are you looking for an easier way to contribute to our parish? Online giving is now available on our website. Simplify your weekly routine by making your contributions through our online giving program. Set up one-time, weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, or yearly gifts. You can give to one fund or to multiple collections. Please contact Michelle if you have any questions about the system or need help in any way.

BLESSING OF THE BIKES
On Saturday, May 20th at 1:00 p.m., we will be holding an event for the children and people of our community. Bring your bicycle, tricycle, or non-motorized scooter and helmets to the St. Mary's parking lot on the 20th. Fr. Matthew will be saying a blessing for the safety of all who attend and will bless the bikes and helmets. No motorized vehicles are permitted. Please contact the parish office for more details.

BRING-A-FRIEND TO MASS
Please bring a friend with you to Mass during the weekend of June 3rd & 4th. Please consider spreading the joy of attending Mass to other people in your life. Refreshments will be served after each Mass and a special gift will be given to each guest. You may contact the office for more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
We are holding two new fundraisers in the coming months for which we need volunteers.
 *We will hold a car wash fundraiser at St. Mary's on Saturday, June 17th and are in need of people to help wash cars.
 *We will also be holding a parish tag sale, along with a greeting card pop-up shop on Saturday, August 5th. Volunteers will be needed to help receive donations this spring and then to help set up and work at the event.
 *If you are interested in one or both events or would like more information, please contact Michelle in the office.

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PARISH EVENTS & DATES ALL EVENTS ARE AT ST. MARY'S UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

SATURDAY, MAY 13TH

First Holy Communion - 10:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 20TH

Blessing of the Bikes - 1:00 p.m. - St. Mary's Parking Lot

SUNDAY, MAY 21ST

Deacon Bob's 30th Diaconate Anniv. Brunch - 10:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 3RD & SUNDAY, JUNE 4TH

Bring a Friend to Mass Weekend - All Masses & N.A.M.

MONDAY, JUNE 5TH

Pastoral Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH

Deacon Barrent Pease's Ordination to the Priesthood

St. Michael's Cathedral - Springfield, MA - 11:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH

Car Wash Fundraiser

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5TH

Parish Tag Sale & Greeting Card Pop Up Shop - Tentative

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20TH

Parish Picnic

NEWS

HIKER PROGRAM

We are looking for additional volunteer support to assist with the hiker program at St. Mary's. Currently we offer our parish hall to people who are hiking the Appalachian Trail between May 1st and October 15th. We need help from parishioners who are willing to unlock and lock the building as needed and who are able to ensure the building is clean and presentable. Please contact the office for more details or to volunteer. Thank you!

HAITI PLUNGE PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Haiti Plunge is having a pancake breakfast to support its mission efforts in Haiti this Sunday, April 30th from 8:00 - 11:30 a.m. at the Notre Dame School cafeteria in Adams. The cost is \$6 per person, \$5 for seniors, and free for children under 4 years old. For more information about the organization or the breakfast please call: 413-346-3241 or visit: www.thehaitiplunge.org.

BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

The New Direction Pregnancy Support Center is once again conducting their baby bottle fundraiser and is asking parishioners for your support. Baby bottles will be available after Masses this weekend. Please consider filling the bottles with spare change and returning them to the church no later than Sunday, May 7th.

BARRENT PEASE TO BE ORDAINED A PRIEST

Deacon Barrent Pease will be ordained a priest on Saturday, June 10th at **11:00 a.m.** at St. Michael's Cathedral in Springfield, MA. If you are interested in attending and would like to carpool, please email Fr. Matthew at fathermatthew@stmaryscheshire.com or by call the parish office at 413-743-2110.

OUR GIVING

WEEKEND OF APRIL 22ND & 23RD

Regular Collection	\$1930.00	Easter	\$92.00
Fuel	\$82.00	Religious Education	\$45.00
Home Missions	\$222.00	Holy Land	\$30.00

HANDS ON GENEALOGY PROGRAM

Alan Doyle Horbal, professional genealogist, will be offering a program about basic genealogy at the Cheshire Community Center on Tuesdays, May 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. Topics to be covered are:



- * How to research the 1900 - 1940 U.S. Census data.
- * How to find your ancestors' emigration data.
- * How to search for family outside the U.S.

All students must have an email account and be computer literate. Some assistance will be provided. Limited space is available. \$5 fee for the program.

To register, please call 413-743-9719.

ST. STANISLAUS SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

St. Stanislaus School will be holding a restaurant fundraiser on Tuesday, May 2nd from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Ramunto's Brick Oven Pizza, 67 Main St., North Adams, MA. Present this coupon and St. Stanislaus will receive 20% of your check total.

**Present this coupon on Tuesday May 2nd from 5-7 PM
at Ramunto's in North Adams and they will donate 20%
of your check to St. Stan's School in Adams, MA.**

67 Main St, North Adams 413-398-5152

BENEFIT SPAGHETTI SUPPER

On Saturday, May 6, 2017 there will be a benefit Spaghetti Supper at the St. Mary's Parish Hall from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. The benefit is for Jackie DeGrenier, a young mom who has been battling cancer and has been undergoing treatment since September. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children and can be purchased at Whitney's Farm, Moments House, and the Cheshire Police and Fire Stations. We are hoping parishioners will help assemble a raffle basket for the event by donating items in the theme of "Ice Cream Sundaes". Donations may be left in the parish hall or dropped off at the office.